

WHEREAS, the City of North Port, Florida, acknowledges the profound contributions and sacrifices made by the men and women of the United States Armed Forces, both past and present, in safeguarding our nation's freedom and security; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Congress designated May as National Military Appreciation Month to ensure the nation appropriately honors and recognizes current and former members of the U.S. Armed Forces, including those who have died in the pursuit of freedom; and

WHEREAS, the month of May encompasses several significant military observances, including Loyalty Day on May 1st, Victory in Europe (V-E) Day on May 8th, Military Spouse Appreciation Day on May 9th, Armed Forces Day on May 17th, and Memorial Day on May 26th, each serving as a reminder of the invaluable service and dedication of our military personnel and their families; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Port is committed to honoring our service members, veterans, and their families, recognizing that their unwavering dedication and sacrifices have been instrumental in preserving the liberties and values we hold dear; and

WHEREAS, National Military Appreciation Month provides an opportunity for all residents to express gratitude and appreciation for the bravery, resilience, and commitment demonstrated by our military community.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 2025 as

“National Military Appreciation Month”

and encourages all residents to join in honoring and recognizing the significant contributions of our military service members, veterans, and their families.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 1st day of May 2025.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

Phil Stokes, Mayor

Pete Emrich, Vice-Mayor

David Duval, Commissioner



Barbara Langdon, Commissioner

Demetrius Petrow, Commissioner

ATTEST

Heather Faust, City Clerk